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RAJYA SABHA

NCDC loan to Assam FISH FED for cold storage facilities

2871. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the NCDC had sanctioned a loan amount of Rs. 2.5 crores to Assam FISH FED in 1994-95 to set-up cold storage facilities in the State;

(b) if so, whether the amount was utilised by the State Government and the loan was availed of for the purpose for which it was sanctioned;

(c) if so, the number of cold storage units set-up in the State including the Barak Valley; and

(d) if answer to part (c) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

NCDC loan for financing fishery projects in Assam

2872. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Co-operative Development Corporation had at any time sanctioned any loan for financing fishery projects in Assam;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the loan sanctioned and amount released for the fishery projects;

(d) the amount spent out of this amount for projects in the Barak Valley consisting of Cachar, Silchar and Hylakardi; and

(e) if answer to part (d) above be in the negative, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) to (c) The NCDC has sanctioned and released Rs. 34.794 lakhs and Rs. 17.46 lakhs respectively for fisheries projects in Assam. In addition, amounts of Rs. 218.768 lakhs and Rs. 136.852 lakhs were sanctioned and released respectively by the NCDC under the fishery component of the ICDP.

(d) The amount sanctioned for the projects in Barak Valley is as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

District	Sanctioned	Released
Cachar	84.200	38.450
Hylakardi	34.200	11.000

(e) Does not arise.

Support Price for Procurement of Foodgrains

† 2873. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have announced the support price for procurement of foodgrains of new crops arriving in April, 2001;

(b) if so, the details of the procurement price fixed for each foodgrain, separately;

(c) the extent to which the said prices exceed that of the last year; and

(d) the reasons for not announcing the support price for foodgrains at the time of their sowing?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF

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